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Upon instructions from my Government I have the honour to invite your attention to the following in connection with the contents of Security Council document S/1994/874 of 26 July 1994.

As a target of international terrorism, the Islamic Republic of Iran has consistently denounced terrorism in all its forms, including State terrorism. It strongly condemns terrorist acts against innocent people regardless of their nationality or beliefs. In connection with the recent bombing in Argentina, the Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Buenos Aires has been in close contact with Argentina's Foreign Ministry officials, and has offered full cooperation and assistance in the investigation. The frantic reactions of various Israeli officials in blaming others, including Iran, without a shred of evidence, before any investigation could even commence are quite suspicious. This may once again be a prelude to a dangerous Zionist adventurism in the region and an escalated State terrorism in terms of air raids, kidnapping and political assassinations. Past experience testifies to the cruelty of Israel targeting and massacring innocent civilians and committing aggression for vengeance.

Quite contrary to the allegations contained in the above-mentioned document, it is in fact the Zionist entity that "considers terrorism an acceptable means to achieve its political ends". It is the Zionist entity that in addition to its regular air strikes against southern Lebanon has continually perpetrated innumerable acts of terrorism in the occupied territories, which have been recorded in volumes of United Nations documents. It is the same entity that has committed countless acts of terrorism in the region, including but not limited to: the transboundary kidnapping of Mustapha al-Dirani from his home in the village of Kasernaba, Lebanon, in May 1994; bombing the Maronite Church at Junieyh Port, Lebanon, in February 1994; the transboundary attack and kidnapping of Sheikh Abdel-Karim Obeid in 1989; the transboundary attack and assassinations of Sheikh Abbas Musawi, his wife, son and six companions in February 1992; and taking hold of and illegally detaining four Iranian nationals, including the Iranian Chargé d'affaires and three companions who had been abducted in Lebanon in 1982.

The renewed dangerous Israeli provocations, its frantic and hurried reactions to recent incidents of bombings and many other similar indications which illustrate the Zionist design aimed at preparing the stage for its future aggression and expanded State terrorism are all too obvious to be ignored by the international community.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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